

Labour Force Survey: Special Report

LABOUR FORCE STATUS - STATISTICAL REGIONS

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This special report contains original (unadjusted) estimates of employed persons and unemployed persons for Statistical Regions by State. The estimates are from the ABS Labour Force Survey, and are drawn from a representative sample of over 34,000 dwellings. These series have shown historically a high degree of variability which is inherent in data about smaller labour markets.

The Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable National and State estimates. While estimates for Statistical Regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level, there are no independent population benchmarks at the Statistical Region level. Therefore, Statistical Region estimates will add to the State total, but the individual Statistical Regions will show less stability for any estimate than for a similar estimate at the State level. In addition, estimates (particularly estimates of unemployment) are considerably smaller and are subject to higher relative standard errors.

Care should therefore be taken in the interpretation of regional estimates particularly in the month to month movements.

Standard Errors

Standard errors of the original estimates in this report for the States and Australia can be determined by using the methods described in the Technical Notes in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available upon request from Audrey Graviou on (06) 252 6525 or from any ABS State office. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which can detract seriously from their value for most general uses. Where estimates and percentages have relative standard errors greater than 25%, they have been identified by an asterisk (e.g. *1.0) to indicate that they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE AUSTRALIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL DIVISIONS BY SEX, SEPTEMBER 1996

	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,605.9	145.1	8.3	73.0	1,208.4	104.0	7.9	52.8	2,814.3	249.2	8.1	62.7
Sydney Major SR	1,037.2	80.1	7.2	75.0	801.3	55.9	6.5	55.1	1,838.5	136.0	6.9	64.8
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	122.5	8.8	6.7	71.7	90.1	6.1	6.3	58.7	212.6	14.9	6.6	65.6
Inner Sydney SR	78.5	4.4	5.3	73.3	61.8	* 2.1	* 3.3	64.7	140.3	6.5	4.5	69.3
Eastern Suburbs SR	76.4	* 2.5	* 3.2	76.5	56.5	4.2	6.9	59.0	132.8	6.7	4.8	67.8
St. George-Sutherland SR	124.3	8.6	6.5	74.5	100.6	4.5	4.3	60.7	224.9	13.1	5.5	67.7
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	72.7	11.2	13.4	71.4	54.3	4.8	8.1	49.0	127.0	16.0	11.2	60.1
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western												
Sydney SRs	131.7	16.6	11.2	77.7	85.8	11.0	11.4	49.8	217.6	27.6	11.3	63.6
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	68.2	12.2	15.2	72.4	42.6	6.9	13.9	46.8	110.8	19.1	14.7	59.9
Central Western Sydney SR	64.7	8.8	11.9	69.9	47.3	5.7	10.7	47.9	112.1	14.4	11.4	58.6
Outer Western Sydney SR	80.7	5.8	6.7	79.5	66.6	* 1.8	* 2.6	58.5	147.2	7.6	4.9	68.6
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	95.1	5.1	5.1	77.9	78.0	4.7	5.7	60.2	173.2	9.8	5.4	68.8
Lower Northern Sydney SR	75.3	* 2.1	* 2.8	75.4	69.0	* 1.8	* 2.5	57.9	144.3	* 3.9	* 2.6	65.9
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	66.9	* 2.8	* 4.0	77.1	51.2	* 2.4	* 4.5	52.0	118.2	5.2	4.2	63.7
Northern Beaches SR	61.7	3.2	4.9	79.3	53.2	2.7	4.9	55.2	114.8	5.9	4.9	65.9
Gosford-Wyong SR	65.3	4.6	6.6	69.9	48.6	6.2	11.3	50.6	113.9	10.8	8.7	59.9
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	568.6	65.0	10.3	69.7	407.1	48.1	10.6	48.9	975.7	113.1	10.4	59.2
Hunter SR	127.7	17.4	12.0	69.1	88.2	10.3	10.4	46.3	216.0	27.7	11.4	57.6
Newcastle SR Sector	112.8	14.0	11.1	68.3	77.8	9.4	10.8	45.9	190.6	23.4	10.9	57.0
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	141.3	14.7	9.4	70.1	110.1	14.6	11.7	52.2	251.4	29.3	10.4	60.8
Illawarra Statistical Region	96.8	11.7	10.8	68.8	73.2	10.8	12.8	50.8	169.9	22.5	11.7	59.6
Wollongong SR Sector	75.7	7.9	9.4	73.2	56.7	6.2	9.9	52.2	132.3	14.1	9.6	62.4
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	90.3	19.6	17.9	62.7	66.9	11.8	15.0	43.8	157.1	31.4	16.7	53.1
Northern, Far West-North Western and												
Central West SRs	123.7	6.9	5.3	72.7	87.6	6.1	6.5	51.1	211.4	12.9	5.8	61.8
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	78.6	5.2	6.3	77.0	48.9	* 4.5	* 8.3	51.3	127.5	9.7	7.1	64.4

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,185.8	123.3	9.4	74.2	914.3	91.5	9.1	54.6	2,100.0	214.8	9.3	64.2
Melbourne Major SR	865.1	87.0	9.1	75.0	669.9	70.4	9.5	55.5	1,535.0	157.3	9.3	65.0
North Western Melbourne SR	65.3	7.7	10.6	74.0	53.2	7.0	11.7	56.0	118.5	14.8	11.1	64.6
Outer Western Melbourne SR	124.3	16.6	11.8	72.9	90.4	13.5	13.0	51.8	214.7	30.1	12.3	62.1
Inner Melbourne SR	56.9	7.5	11.6	72.7	55.1	4.2	7.1	60.3	112.0	11.7	9.4	66.2
North Eastern Melbourne SR	113.3	14.1	11.1	76.2	79.1	13.6	14.6	53.5	192.3	27.7	12.6	64.6
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	122.1	9.3	7.1	73.7	98.1	6.3	6.0	58.8	220.1	15.6	6.6	66.3
Southern Melbourne SR	98.8	8.0	7.5	73.4	78.3	5.7	6.8	53.3	177.1	13.7	7.2	62.9
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	134.7	7.2	5.1	79.2	105.0	5.5	4.9	59.6	239.7	12.6	5.0	69.2
South Eastern Melbourne SR	99.9	11.2	10.1	81.5	73.1	11.7	13.8	61.0	173.0	22.9	11.7	71.2
Mornington Peninsula SR	49.8	5.5	9.9	66.4	37.5	* 2.9	* 7.2	43.2	87.3	8.4	8.7	54.1
Balance of Victoria Major SR	320.7	36.3	10.2	72.3	244.3	21.1	8.0	52.3	565.0	57.4	9.2	62.1
Barwon-Western District SR	89.8	10.4	10.4	74.3	73.2	7.2	9.0	57.6	163.0	17.6	9.7	65.8
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	45.0	7.9	15.0	68.8	41.2	* 4.3	* 9.4	53.2	86.2	12.2	12.4	60.6
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	60.8	6.4	9.6	70.4	41.7	* 1.5	* 3.5	42.5	102.5	7.9	7.2	56.0
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	74.2	4.8	6.0	76.9	52.3	* 4.0	* 7.1	57.9	126.5	8.8	6.5	67.6
All Gippsland SR	50.9	6.8	11.8	68.9	36.0	* 4.1	* 10.3	47.7	86.9	10.9	11.2	58.3
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	888.7	88.9	9.1	75.0	672.9	65.8	8.9	55.7	1,561.5	154.7	9.0	65.3
Brisbane Major SR	412.8	37.5	8.3	76.3	321.1	31.3	8.9	57.4	733.9	68.8	8.6	66.7
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	106.2	6.7	5.9	75.3	82.6	5.5	6.3	57.9	188.8	12.2	6.1	66.6
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	126.0	10.2	7.5	74.7	102.0	7.0	6.4	57.9	228.0	17.2	7.0	66.2
South and East BSD Balance SR	74.1	10.1	12.0	78.6	51.0	9.6	15.8	56.2	125.1	19.7	13.6	67.4
North and West BSD Balance SR	106.4	10.6	9.0	77.7	85.6	9.2	9.7	57.3	192.0	19.7	9.3	67.0
Balance of Queensland Major SR	475.9	51.4	9.7	74.0	351.8	34.5	8.9	54.2	827.7	85.9	9.4	64.1
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	91.6	14.8	13.9	75.1	78.5	8.0	9.2	57.3	170.1	22.7	11.8	65.9
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	59.7	7.0	10.5	66.0	44.0	5.0	10.2	50.7	103.7	12.0	10.4	58.5
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	52.8	7.1	11.8	69.9	37.9	6.2	14.0	51.4	90.7	13.3	12.8	60.6
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	62.5	3.7	5.6	70.5	40.2	4.4	9.9	49.6	102.7	8.1	7.3	60.3
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	84.3	7.9	8.6	76.4	56.2	4.2	7.0	49.2	140.5	12.1	7.9	62.7
Northern-North West Statistical Region	60.6	5.6	8.5	76.8	44.8	4.0	8.2	57.1	105.4	9.6	8.3	67.0
Far North Statistical Region	64.3	5.4	7.7	83.4	50.2	* 2.7	* 5.1	65.4	114.5	8.1	6.6	74.6

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	365.7	43.0	10.5	70.6	293.5	27.5	8.6	53.5	659.1	70.5	9.7	61.9
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	263.6	33.4	11.2	69.7	216.7	22.8	9.5	53.1	480.3	56.2	10.5	61.2
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	86.4	11.9	12.1	76.8	67.0	8.1	10.8	55.4	153.4	20.0	11.6	65.8
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	44.9	7.2	13.8	60.0	37.9	4.6	10.8	45.9	82.8	11.7	12.4	52.7
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	52.2	4.9	8.6	67.2	44.2	3.0	6.4	53.8	96.4	8.0	7.6	60.4
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	80.1	9.4	10.5	70.9	67.6	7.1	9.4	55.3	147.7	16.4	10.0	62.8
Balance of South Australia Major SR	102.1	9.6	8.6	73.1	76.8	4.7	5.8	54.8	178.9	14.3	7.4	64.1
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	40.3	5.0	11.0	71.7	29.7	* 1.8	* 5.9	54.3	70.0	6.9	8.9	63.3
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	61.8	4.6	6.9	74.1	47.1	2.9	5.7	55.2	108.8	7.5	6.4	64.6
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	484.9	41.3	7.9	76.7	365.6	27.8	7.1	56.8	850.5	69.1	7.5	66.7
Perth Major Statistical Region	347.2	31.5	8.3	75.9	272.4	19.8	6.8	56.0	619.7	51.3	7.6	65.7
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	43.1	3.2	6.9	72.8	35.6	2.5	6.5	58.5	78.8	5.7	6.7	65.6
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	55.4	4.1	6.9	75.5	40.9	3.4	7.7	54.1	96.3	7.5	7.2	64.6
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	105.1	10.8	9.3	76.5	80.9	5.4	6.3	55.0	186.0	16.2	8.0	65.5
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	66.2	5.5	7.7	73.3	52.2	3.9	6.9	54.3	118.3	9.4	7.4	63.5
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	77.4	7.9	9.2	79.3	62.8	4.6	6.8	59.1	140.2	12.5	8.2	68.9
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	137.7	9.8	6.6	79.0	93.2	8.1	8.0	59.1	230.8	17.8	7.2	69.4
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	68.6	5.4	7.3	76.0	49.9	4.6	8.5	57.1	118.5	10.1	7.8	66.7
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	69.0	4.3	5.9	82.2	43.3	3.4	7.3	61.5	112.3	7.8	6.5	72.7
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	115.2	14.5	11.2	71.5	84.9	9.3	9.8	50.2	200.1	23.8	10.6	60.7
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	56.2	6.7	10.7	70.7	44.0	5.0	10.3	52.1	100.1	11.8	10.5	61.1
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	47.1	5.2	10.0	70.3	37.4	3.9	9.5	52.4	84.6	9.1	9.8	61.1
Northern Statistical Region Sector	34.5	3.9	10.2	74.5	24.2	2.2	8.3	50.3	58.7	6.1	9.4	62.3
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	24.5	3.9	13.6	69.5	16.8	2.0	10.9	45.9	41.3	5.9	12.5	57.6
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	48.1	2.6	5.2	79.2	39.6	2.4	5.7	67.2	87.7	5.0	5.4	73.3
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	84.1	7.0	7.7	79.5	72.2	6.2	7.9	65.9	156.3	13.1	7.8	72.6
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,778.3	465.8	8.9	74.0	3,651.3	334.5	8.4	54.5	8,429.6	800.2	8.7	64.1

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